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August Outing and N. E. Shrine Council Meeting at Bridgeport, August 19 and 20

Special Meeting for Election and Obligation of Candidates, Thursday, August 18, 1938

ILLUSTRIOUS Potentate Charles T. Cahill, in his desire to create more interest among the Nobility through the diversity of activities of the Temple, has decided this year to combine the Summer meeting and Annual Outing with the New England Shrine Council Meeting and Field Day to be held August 19 and 20 in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

This annual event which is participated in by the ten Temples of New England, is virtually a miniature Imperial Council Session, with a ceremonial, parade, meeting of delegates, amusements and field day.

Although plans have not yet been completed the tentative arrangements provide for a short business meeting to be held at Shrine Headquarters, 97 Huntington Avenue, Boston, at 5:00 o'clock P. M., on **THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 1938**, for the election and obligation of candidates, and any business that may come before the Temple.

The Officers, Uniformed Units and Nobility will gather at Shrine Headquarters early Saturday morning, August 20, where they will board special trains parked in the rear of Mechanics Building for the trip to Bridgeport.

There will be a short stop at Worcester to pick up Nobles in that district.

There is plenty of automobile parking space in the rear of Mechanics Building where the Nobles may park their cars until they return from Bridgeport.

One of the outstanding incidents of the Session will be the appearance of the Aleppo Temple Ritualistic Degree Team, which will work the first section of the joint ceremonial, Saturday afternoon.

The cost of the trip will be very small and every member of Aleppo who can possibly participate should plan now to save the date, Saturday, August 20, and enjoy this gathering of the Nobility at Bridgeport.

Full details of the Aleppo Temple meeting, special train arrangements, time

schedule, cost, etc., will appear in the August issue of the ALEPPO NEWS.

The following is a tentative program outlined by the Pyramid Temple General Committee covering the two day Session of the New England Shrine Council and Field Day.

The first day's activities, August 19, are for delegates to the Council Meeting.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19 (for delegates only)

- 3:00 P.M. Registration of delegates. Hotel Stratfield.
- 6:30 P.M. Dinner for delegates.
- 8:00 P.M. Meeting of New England Shrine Council.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

- 9:00 A.M. Reception of visiting Temples.
- 9:00 to 11:00 A.M. Automobile tour to places of interest in and around Bridgeport.
- 12:30 P.M. Reception of Potentates and officers at Pyramid Temple.
- 1:30 P.M. 1st section of ceremonial, by ALEPPO TEMPLE RITUALISTIC DEGREE TEAM.
- 2:45 P.M. 2nd section of ceremonial. (Short)
- 3:30 P.M. Formation of Parade.
- 4:00 P.M. Parade.
- 5:30 P.M. Dinner for Potentates, Officers and Nobility holding tickets.
- 6:30 P.M. Amusements at Pleasure Beach.
- 8:00 P.M. Entertainment.

Here is your chance to witness the Shrine event of the year. Make your plans now to attend and enjoy the celebrations at New England's gathering of the world's greatest fraternal organization.

CIRCUS DAYS AT NEW BEDFORD

"CIRCUS DAYS" will be the magnetic attraction in New Bedford for one full week starting Monday, August 22, with a stupendous climax Saturday night, the 27th. The Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts is responsible for this week of activity and the proceeds derived from one of the "greatest shows on earth" will be devoted to the Crippled Children's Fund.

Already the officials of the Club have swung into earnest action and committees are being organized to handle the gigantic details necessary to make the Circus a huge success both for the public entertainment as well as for the Fund. Headquarters have been established on Union Street in New Bedford where the promotion work will be conducted aggressively under the personal direction of Noble Fred F. Cowden.

A "Personality Contest" has been opened with scores of attractive ladies vying for honors and with opportunities for awards of a fine collection of worthwhile articles. Nobles and their friends will likewise be provided with the privilege of stirring interest in the Circus which will bring presents of value in turn for their interest. Noble Norman Renne is Chairman of the Committee which will supervise this particular feature of the program.

The Show will be operated at the Sargent Field, New Bedford's spacious athletic field. Tents and side shows, bright lights and thrilling acts, peanuts and popcorn will contribute to the typical circus atmosphere — something doing every minute for young and old. And to add to all this a brand new automobile will be offered as perhaps the most extraordinary feature of "Circus Days." Everybody is invited to participate in the activities of the week. Who doesn't get a big "kick" out of a Circus? Then, too, your enjoyment will mean a practical pleasure for many a crippled kiddie.

Dr. Frank Birtwistle, President of the Shrine Club, will be the general chairman of "Circus Days" with the following Nobles as members of the supervisory board: Fred F. Cowden, Thomas Butler, William Beserosky, William Kenworthy and Daniel W. Hinckley.

Everyone is invited to attend "Circus Days," at New Bedford, to be held for one full week, August 22 to 27.

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WHENCE CAME THE MYSTIC SHRINE?

TO the novice, for the first time witnessing the gorgeous display of Oriental splendor at Ceremonials, must come a feeling of awe and wonder. Whence came the conception of such spectacular regalia, such mystic rites, such devout reverence for all that pertains to the "dictates of Allah?"

And he is told, 'tis a portrayal of the characteristics of the Arab, in his love of splendor, his pride in sustained confidence, and deathless devotion to the teachings of Mohammed.

Many seek no further explanation, and hence too few know the true origin and original purposes of the Shrine—now one of the greatest fraternal and benevolent organizations of all time.

We have been told that the true founder of the order was a Mohammedan, one Kalif Ale, way back in 644 A. D.; that the Sultan of Turkey was reigning as "Potentate in the Orient," at the time the Ritual was being translated for our use; and that Shrine meetings were actually attended by Americans in Algiers and Marseilles in the year 1870.

All of this, combined with the legendary tales of Shrine chivalry in sponsoring the rights of the downtrodden on through the ages, lends added glamor to our "mystic" existence. And so we may be surprised to read in the published History of the Imperial Council:

"Does it not seem strange that nothing further has ever been heard of such an Order or Society?" "If they ever in fact existed, what has become of them in the last fifty years?" "And how is it, that with thousands of Nobles annually trav-

eling to all parts of the world on pleasure bent, not one of them has reported to the Imperial Council, as far as its proceedings show, the discovery of a single Temple of our Order from which we might have derived our origin?"

Extensive research by many brings us to believe that the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine is distinctly an American institution, engendered in the creative minds of two Masonic brothers—Dr. Walter Millard Fleming, an eminent surgeon and specialist of New York, and William J. Florence, an actor who achieved distinction and played with the great Edwin Booth.

Dr. Fleming was the first Potentate, and our first Imperial Potentate; and the original Ritual, in his own handwriting, is in the archives of our first Temple, Mecca of New York, which he and Florence established. It bears this inscription: "The First Complete Ritual of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, by Walter M. Fleming, M. D. written August, 1870 for the Establishment of the Order in the Western Hemisphere."

Florence, the actor, was carried as a "sojourner" on the records of Pittsburgh Commandery No. 1; and was known throughout early Shrinedom as the "Founder" of the Order. He had traveled extensively and lent both his knowledge of the Orient and his skill as an actor to the preparation of the Ritual.

In the words of Dr. Fleming, their avowed object was "to form a degree that would act as a relaxation and appeal to the humorous side of human nature, after the continuous serious work" of the other Masonic degrees.

On June 16, 1871, thirteen Scottish Rite Masons and Knights Templar met in New York City to launch the Order. Mecca Temple was founded September 26, 1872. It was four years before the organization of a parent body, and the first Imperial Council met in New York on June 6, 1876. The following day a charter was granted to the second Temple, Damascus of Rochester, N. Y. Others followed rapidly, with Aleppo of Boston being granted the thirteenth charter on June 23, 1882.

And today, sixty-seven years later, ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINE TEMPLES pay respect to, and derive powers and privileges from this same Imperial Council. The phenomenal growth of the Shrine bespeaks much for the wisdom and foresight of the originators who gave so generously of their time and talents during the early and trying stages of development.

Like the Novice, it seems that we, too, must be content to wonder at the true source of their mystic Ritual but we admire the originality and ability of the two men who so dramatized the significance of the Crescent and the Fex, that today thousands upon thousands are inspired by the teachings of the Order, proud to participate in its benevolences and grateful to be granted its fraternal associations.

—SYRIA.

WHAT A MAN!

By BENJAMIN N. BOGUE

OVER one of the doors in the school house in which I went to school there used to hang a motto. It read: "What Man Has Done, Man Can Do." It didn't mean much to us kids then. But it means a great deal to me now. "What men have done, men can do." Think how true it is. And think of the wonderful things that men have done—and the even more wonderful things they are doing today.

It cannot but thrill even the dullest of us to think that within ourselves we have the same power that a few years ago made Rockefeller able to give away one hundred millions for Christmas, the same power that brought Charles M. Schwab from obscurity to fame and wealth. What an inspiration to realize that in the bygone years, when these men were young, they had nothing you or I do not now possess. They had what? Merely themselves. They had their heads. They had their wills. They had their willingness-to-work, their loyalty to task, their firm determination, their bulldog grit. That was their capital. It was their foundation. It was the stuff out of which they carved success.



WILL HITLER DO IT?

A German Mason of Mexico, before his death, left 100,000 marks to Hitler with the proviso that a portion of it was to be used in spreading information that Masonry is not dangerous to the state but helpful to it. Hitler has accepted the money, but will he carry out the conditions?

A tourist going through the Northwest, suffered a slight accident. Unable to find his monkey-wrench, he went to a farmhouse and inquired of the Swede owner—

"Have you a monkey-wrench here?"

"Naw," replied the Swede, "my brother bane got a cattle ranch over there, my cousin got a sheep ranch down there; but too dan cold here for monkey wrench."



AMERICA'S FIRST MASON

Who was the first Mason in America? The honor goes to John Skene of Burlington, the Deputy Governor of West Jersey, who had received his Masonic work in Aberdeen, Scotland, during or before 1682, in which year he settled in America.

The first native-born American to be made a Mason was Jonathan Belcher, governor of Massachusetts 1728-41. He wrote a letter in 1741 stating that "It is now thirty-seven years since I was admitted into the Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons." This takes the date back to 1704. It is known that he lived in Europe from 1699 to 1705.

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**ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
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THE golfing enthusiasts of Aleppo Temple have been invited again this year by Past Potentate Harry G. Pollard to hold their annual golf tournament and outing at the Vesper Country Club, Lowell.

Ill. Noble Pollard has offered the facilities of this well-known eighteen hole golf course and spacious club house and grounds for the exclusive use of the Nobility to enjoy as their own for a full day and evening.

Noble Frank A. Legro, who has been appointed chairman of the Golf Committee this year, has appointed his committee and they are already making preparations for this year's tournament to be one of the outstanding gatherings of golf enthusiasts Aleppo has ever had.

Vesper Country Club has one of the best 18 hole golf courses in the State. The club house and grounds are in beautiful shape and await the caravan from Aleppo.

The day selected for the Outing is Tuesday, July 26, 1938. Noble Ed. Harvey is in charge of the prizes again this year. Last year he surprised us by getting 50 prizes for the Tournament. We hope those interested will again assist in the success of this year's tournament by donating a prize for the day.

The Tournament will be an 18 hole event as in the past, with plenty of prizes for all classes of golfers and duffers.

Every golfer who tees off that day will be presented with a souvenir that will be most useful and will enable him to enjoy his golf game much more, be he professional or duffer.

A banquet will be served in the club house in the evening followed by the presentation of prizes. Any Noble who wishes may participate in the banquet whether he plays golf or not, provided he makes reservation for dinner before noon the day of the outing. So, if you can not play golf during the day, come up in the early evening for the banquet. If you can not stay for the banquet, come out and play golf during the day and participate in the tournament. But if you can make a day of it, come early, stay late, and participate in the entire day's festivities.

There may be some Nobles who can not play golf or attend the banquet. To those Nobles we extend an invitation for them to come up and fraternize with the Nobility during the day or evening. There are many games of interest at Vesper including an 18-hole putting green in front of the club house. Or perhaps they may wish to follow one of the low scoring foursomes around the picturesque golf course.

When you have finished reading this article, sit right down and telephone the rest of that "Foursome," of yours and date them up for the Aleppo Temple Annual Golf Outing at Vesper Country Club, Tuesday, July 26. Don't wait to see if the weather is going to be good before making your plans. We have checked up with the weather man and everything is going to be "Sunny for the Sons of the Desert."

**ILL. NOBLE A. A. D. RAHN
ELECTED IMPERIAL POTENTATE**

ILLUSTRIOUS Noble Andrew A. D. Rahn of Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was elected Imperial Potentate at the sixty-fourth Annual Session of the Imperial Council, held in Los Angeles, California, June 7, 8 and 9, 1938. The new Imperial Potentate who succeeds Ill. Noble Walter S. Sugden of West Virginia, has been active in Masonic and Shrine circles for over thirty-two years in Minnesota. He was born in Valparaiso, Indiana, October 9, 1877, later moving to Minneapolis where he attended the public schools. He worked while getting his education, starting as a newsboy in the city where he later was to become vice president of one of the largest lumber businesses in the Northwest, The Shevlin, Carpenter & Clarke Company, with whom he has been identified for the past thirty-three years. He



**IMPERIAL POTENTATE
ANDREW A. D. RAHN**

is also President of the Radisson Investment Company of Minneapolis, and holds a similar position in the Midland Distributing Company, The Midland Implement Company and the Alemite Company of Montana, all of Billings, Montana.

The Imperial Potentate is married and resides at Crystal Bay, Lake Minnetonka, Minnesota. He has three sons and three grandchildren.

Illustrious Noble Rahn's Masonic Affiliations are as follows:

Ark Lodge, No. 176, A. F. & A. M., Minneapolis, Minn., February 14, 1906.

Ark Chapter, No. 53, Royal Arch Masons, Minneapolis, Minn., May 28, 1906.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23, Knights Templar, April 19, 1907.

Minneapolis Council, No. 2, R. S. M., November 19, 1913.

Minneapolis Consistory, No. 2, November 20, 1913.

Member of Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., May 24, 1907.

Illustrious Potentate during years 1922 and 1923.

Director of Zuhrah Temple, 1914.

Representative to the Imperial Council Session, 1915; 1921 to 1924, inclusive; 1926 to 1938, inclusive.

Elected Imperial Outer Guard at Toronto, Ont., June 11, 1930.

Elected Imperial Potentate at Los Angeles, California, June 8, 1938.

WHY ATTEND YOUR SHRINE?

DO you buy a meal ticket at a restaurant and then refuse to eat there? Did you ever try to get money out of a bank without putting any in there?

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**SHRINE HOSPITALS GO FORWARD
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IN spite of the curtailment of income throughout our country, the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children have functioned with the same efficiency as in more prosperous times. Economies have been instituted, operating costs cut to the quick, but eight hundred and fifty beds have never once been empty. The loving care lavished on each little patient has not relaxed. Salaries have been reduced, the personnel is down to a minimum, every item of expenditure has been checked and rechecked—but the work has gone forward at full speed.

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By NOBLE CHARLES C. FEARING
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"I GOT PLENTY OF NUTHIN"

WHEN we received a postal from the Chief calling for copy for the July issue, we started humming the above ditty, because we believed that was all we had—"plenty of nuthin." But realizing that "our dear public," as the movie stars say, would be disappointed we squared our shoulders, took a long breath, and dove off the deep end. So now we have that off our chests we will proceed to elucidate. (We don't know where we pick up these big words—it must be the heat.)

We understand the band attended the dog track at Revere, May 19, to greet the distinguished visitors from across the pond—the Honourable Artillery Company of London, and according to information received from Noble Fred Waugh, about 50 men turned out to greet the Englishmen with a fan fare of trumpets and "God Save the King," etc.

Unfortunately, or fortunately, depending on the view point (as we still have our shirt) we were unable to attend Shrine Day at Suffolk Downs on June 21. Every year the band has been invited to the "hoss races" some darned thing pops up at the last minute to prevent our going, and this year was no exception to the rule. Only about forty turned out, but what they lacked in numbers they made up in enthusiasm. And quoting Noble Waugh again, it was a fine looking bunch leading the patrol down the home stretch to the plaudits of thousands of onlookers. They were not aware that the boys' feet were blistered and their shoes smoking from the heat—it was 95 in the shade and no shade. If ever they had a thrill it was then. One young lady remarked "Oh boy! What that bass drum player is doing to that drum is plenty."

Noble Waugh says there was a guy sat in front of him who played the races all afternoon. At 5 o'clock he asked him how he was doing and found he was 35 cents ahead. He should have bet on the 2 and 5 and not 6 all the time.

The orders from headquarters were to wear full winter uniforms, and like Charlie McCarthy, "How they suffered."

Just a word about these annual Suffolk Downs engagements. There seems to be a feeling of indifference on the part of the boys, the impression being that this is a commercial proposition pure and simple—i. e. an advertising stunt. We received a confidential tip that this is not the case, and that the Charity Fund of the Temple benefits from these visits. So we hope the boys will bear that in mind in the future, and do their best to uphold the traditions of the band and Aleppo.

On August 20 there will be a big meeting in Bridgeport, Connecticut, under the auspices of the New England Shrine Council, and the uniformed units will attend, as they did last year in Providence. So keep this date in mind and when it eventuates be prepared to turn

out 100% strong and make one of our old time showings.

Next year the Imperial Council will meet at Baltimore, which is not so very far from Boston, and it might be possible for the band to make the trip provided the boys will only start something now.

We have repeatedly heard the cry of late—"Why don't we go places?" and interest has lagged because the boys have not had a chance to "blow themselves" at any public functions. Here is a chance to do a little "pump priming" (that seems to be a popular expression just now), and put the band on the front page once more.

Where the Imperial Council meets 3000 miles across the country the cost is prohibitive to take the gang that distance. Next year it will be held comparatively near home where the cost will not be excessive. Therefore it would seem that the band, in conjunction with the other uniformed bodies, might start in the Fall to raise money for this purpose, through concerts, balls, or what have you, and thus accumulate sufficient funds to take the uniformed units to at least one more Imperial Council meeting before some of us die of old age or senility. This should arouse some interest on the part of those who have been pessimistic about the future of the band, and serve as an incentive to take up the work with our old time zest and spirit.

So get busy "youse guys," and see if we cannot start something, if it is only a riot—even that might furnish a little excitement if nothing more. Why not put on your thinking caps and come to the

first band meeting in the Fall prepared with some constructive ideas on the subject.

These are only a few vagrant thoughts, inspired by Noble "Gid" Sawyer, but we believe the matter is worthy of serious consideration.

Noble Fred Waugh says that Nobles Fred Maxham and Frank Oliver are getting ready to start on their vacation out West. He hopes they will send cards so we can check up on them, as they never say much about their trips when they come home. He thinks they are the quietest players in the band and that accounts for it.

C. C. F.

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NEW OFFICERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

NOBLE Edward A. Hare of Shrewsbury was unanimously elected President at the annual meeting and election of the Worcester County Shrine Club held at Lunt's Pavilion, Sterling, Massachusetts, Tuesday, June 21.

vited to join. Initiation fee \$2.00. Dues one buck a year.

Other Nobles elected to offices were: Alfred Larson, First Vice-President; Robert A. Wray, Second Vice-President; Orin R. Williams, Third Vice-President; Ernest Reynard, Secretary; Claude Williams, Treasurer; Harold B. Proctor and Delwin A. Cochrane, Auditors.



(Photo Courtesy of Worcester Telegram & Gazette)

New officers of Worcester County Shrine Club. Left to Right — Nobles Orin R. Williams, 3rd Vice-President; Edward A. Hare, President; Harold B. Proctor, Auditor; and Robert A. Wray, 2nd Vice President. Rear — Delwin A. Cochrane, Auditor; Claude Williams, Treasurer; and Ernest Reynard, Secretary.

Nearly 100 members were present to enjoy the lobster dinner which was followed by a motion picture and vaudeville show.

One of the first acts of the new president will be to form committees for the purpose of enrolling every Shriner in Worcester County as a member of the Club. Although he follows a most active president in Noble Andrew Goff, who has given two years' valiant service to the cause of the club, he feels confident of a very successful year as he is backed by the membership 100%.

Retiring President Goff presided and introduced the following new members: Nobles Gustaf F. Blomme, Harold W. Eaton, Herbert A. Silven, Sigurd Peterson, George Cummings, Leonard K. Gray, Dr. Roy A. Bush, Warren D. Hayden, John H. Johnson, Wallace H. Wood.

The members stood in a moment of silent tribute to the memory of Nobles Henry F. Douglass and William M. Riedl, who entered the Unseen Temple.

Dinner was followed by a vaudeville entertainment and thereafter Stanley Wolczak who has served with the U. S. Marines in China exhibited motion pictures taken by himself in the Far East from 1933 to 1937. Included were some thrilling scenes of the bombing of Shanghai.

All Shriners in Central Massachusetts are eligible for membership and are in-

THE SHRINE

THROUGH Shrine hilarity there is a strain of serious purpose, for it carries on one of the most spendid philanthropies to be found anywhere. The Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children constitute a benevolence that challenges the world's admiration because of its altruism, spirit of universal helpfulness, and unsurpassed efficiency.

Sixteen years ago the Shrine designated as its major activity the establishment and maintenance of hospitals for the care of unfortunate children. Since that day fifteen hospitals have been established, eleven of which are major institutions, and four "mobile units," situated in various points throughout the United States. Thousands of children, without money, and regardless of race, creed or color, are receiving the best hospital attention medical science can produce. Such is the work of this magnificent army of "play boys." May they ever continue to play and work.

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By NOBLE J. ARTHUR MCCOY

Associate Editor

SHRINE Day at Suffolk Downs was all that could be expected from every standpoint — a nice warm day, a full house and plenty of features. That the members of the uniformed units were not there 100% is not surprising because there is so much going on everywhere at this season, with college commencements, the opening of summer homes, early vacations, as well as the restrictions always on some business men and for those on the sick list. Col. Cormerais, Past Commander of the Military Order of Foreign Wars, had to attend a council meeting. Harry Squires could not resist the call of his alma mater for Harvard Class Day celebrations, Ben Vaughan was too busy at his "counting house," Arthur Holl opened his summer home at Mattapoisett, Sam Barron was at the hospital for a thorough going-over and diagnosis on his prolonged ailments, etc., etc. But Capt. Keough mustered all his forces and they put on a creditable exhibition which was duly applauded.

The first platoon members were glad to welcome back Noble Fred Wilder, who has been absent three months because of Mrs. Wilder's illness.

It now looks as though the next tour of duty will be the meeting of the New England temples at Bridgeport, Saturday, August 20.

We learn that Noble Fred Wegener, of the first platoon is having a busy season at his Point Shirley eating place in Winthrop. Fred's ability to satisfy the gourmet's taste in a swell shore dinner is well known to the members and his place will be visited by many of the boys throughout the summer.

Noble Bill Aldrich, our Marshal, is at Kennebunkport, Maine, with his family for the month of July.

Noble John Stratis of the fourth platoon, "the Aladdin Coffee man," has another title that perhaps is unknown to his associates on the patrol. John is captain of the Ahepa patrol, which has traveled extensively and is constantly winning honors and prizes in public appearances.

The members were glad to hear that our Noble "Jim" Curry was elected to be Commander of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, succeeding our Potentate Cahill in that office. It is pleasing also to hear that Noble Fred Rogers, our color sergeant, was elected First Lieutenant of the Ancients. Also, Noble Russ Lynn of the second platoon has been appointed orderly to the new commander of the Ancients.

Noble Clyde Carter of the first platoon is visiting his birth place at Montpelier with his mother as part of a tour through Vermont and New York.

Noble George Weeks and Mrs. Weeks celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary

with an auto trip through Maine, and en route they stopped at "The Hales," Arthur Hale's new inn at upper Gloucester, and had a fine visit with Arthur Hale. "The Hales" is on route 3, 25 miles beyond Portland, a wonderful spot between Sebago Lake and Poland Springs. Arthur said he had been visited recently by Nobles Vaughan, Lane, Daland, Abbott, Gaskins, and others of the patrol and was glad to see his former associates. He is still driving the "Flying Yankee," but gets his runs on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday.

Thumb Nail Sketch of the Month

Noble Will Davis of the third platoon has the distinction of being the only member of the patrol who has been at the head of all four York Rite bodies. Bill was born in Berkshire, England, and came to America in 1903, since which time he has taken a considerable part in the town affairs of So. Lincoln. Bill has been town clerk of South Lincoln the past 8 years and tax collector two years. He is Past Master of Corinthian Lodge of Concord, Past High Priest of Walden Chapter of Concord, Past Illustrious Master of Adoniram Council of Waltham, and Past Commander of Gethsemane Commandery of Newtonville. He has been a member of the patrol since 1926 and has attended all tours of duty since then. Since passing through the chairs of the several bodies, he has received appointments in the Grand Commandery and in the Grand Council. In local affairs, he has been Master of his Grange, active in the Men's Club the past 25 years, has served as general chairman of the Fourth of July celebrations, and has participated in amateur theatricals of the town and church. His hobby is dogs, he having managed a kennel for years. Bill is a quiet, modest little fellow, a very valuable type of citizen in his community.



THE HENRY B. PERKINS CLUB

NOBLE Theodore O. Nicholson, Secretary of the Henry B. Perkins Club, writes us that the roll of that Club has recently been depleted by the death of Nobles Fred E. Bickford of Boston, William L. Devitt of Milton and Samuel A. Vannah of Winchester, all of whom were called to the Great Beyond since the last meeting of the Club.

SOUTH SHORE NEWS

By NOBLE GEORGE A. RHODES

Associate Editor

NOBLE George Stockwell of this village was all "het" up over the fishing trip sponsored by the Shrine. When it was postponed a week he called the *Quincy Patriot Ledger* and wanted an article about it, which he got. Have not heard what the result was of George's fishing tour.

Quincy Commandery, K. T., closed the month with a special to work the Order of the Temple, and the regular to elect new officers. Em. Sir Carl D. Hopkins steps into the Commander's shoes. All look forward to another busy year. The past one has seen several candidates initiated.

Noble A. Kenneth Martin finished his year as Commander of South Shore Commandery in Weymouth, with a good meeting, dinner and grand round up. Em. Sir W. P. Morganstern is the new Commander-elect. He is president of the Craftsmen's Club and I picked up a rumor that he has one of those applications you sign on the dotted line and the word Aleppo appears at the top. We hope he has it in the Recorder's hands before the August Outing. He would make a good Noble.

The Masonic, Eastern Star, Rainbow and DeMolay organizations have all shut up shop until September.

Bunch of Grotto officials from Taleb hit the trail for Cleveland. Noble Henry P. Hayward, Grand Alchemist, went by plane. Monarch, George Ormon; Past Monarch, "Doc" Dingwell; Treasurer, Philip Martin; Chief Justice, Park Gongaware; Master of Ceremonies, Howard M. Clark and Secretary, "Bob" Whitworth, are also at the Grotto session. All wear the emblem of Aleppo. They went by motor cars. The balance of the prophets of Taleb do not need to go for this bunch brings back all the news. They have a party on their return and the scribe sets it down in cold type including their comments which are the best part of the story.

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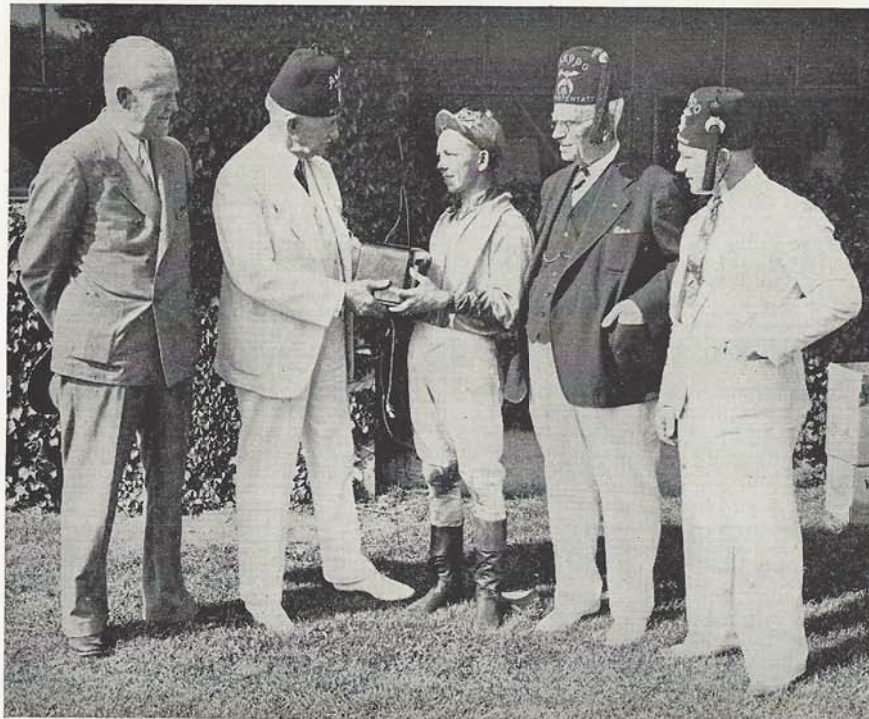
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LED by the Potentate, Officers and Uniformed Units, the Nobility of Aleppo Temple and their families thronged to the Suffolk Downs race track at East Boston, Tuesday, June 21, to turn the world's largest race track into a veritable Arabian Mardi gras. This gathering of the Nobility was to celebrate the fourth annual Shrine Day at Suffolk Downs.



Illustrious Potentate Cahill presenting radio set to Jockey Bierman, on Shrine Day at Suffolk Downs, June 21, 1938. Left to Right — Noble Willard Stevens, Ill. Potentate Charles T. Cahill, Recorder Walter W. Morrison, and Asst. Recorder Harvey B. Leggee.

Noble V. C. Bruce Wetmore, Treasurer of the Eastern Racing Association, was ably assisted by Nobles Willard Stevens and Samuel Simon in entertaining the visiting Nobility in their usual hospitable manner. Everything was done for their entertainment and enjoyment. The track really belonged to Aleppo for the day.

The uniformed units were given a tumultuous reception when they marched up in front of the grandstand, between the first and second races, escorting Ill. Potentate Charles T. Cahill and his staff of officers. To show their appreciation the patrol, under the direction of Captain Henry E. Keough, entertained the 12,000 people present with an exhibition of fancy drilling.

The Shrine Band, led by Walter M. Smith, Jr., played for the drilling and later added color to the day's festivities by playing many well known tunes between races.

The fifth, and feature race of the afternoon, which was named in honor of Aleppo Temple, was won by War Minstrel with Jockey Bierman up. Following the race Illustrious Potentate Cahill presented the jockey and the trainer of War Minstrel each a radio set properly inscribed, as a memento of the event.

Several groups of red fezzed guests could be seen in many parts of the grandstand, trying to figure out a system whereby they might pick the winners of this fascinating pastime so appropriately named, "The Sport of Kings."

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LANGUAGE OF THE FEZ

By the Sheikh

WHEN the Fez is tilted toward the left ear of the wearer it indicates that the tiltor appreciates the good things of life and is open to an invitation. Bring on the flesh pots!

If the Fez leans toward the right ear the wearer is signalling to all the fair sex that he is alone in the crowd, has no previous engagements and that any of the Fatimas are invited to approach.

If the Fez insists on falling off each time the Noble stoops over, it is too small for his head and is a sure sign that he does not often wear one of the things. He can be placed in the "too busy" class, except at Ceremonial times.

If the Fez is creased lengthwise and given a form that somewhat resembles an "over-seas cap" it is an indication that, while the wearer may be a veteran of the world war and a hard boiled guy, he is only a few months out of the Novice class in the Shrine and should be treated with gentleness—but often.

The Noble wearing a Fez tilted well forward over the forehead need not be considered an especially smart fellow, nor a champion poker player. He is probably wondering what happened the night before.

But when the Fez is worn on the back of the head, exposing a wide expanse of brow—look out. That chap is the real goods. He has been through it all before—and many times. He has a world of friends, a pocket full of cigars, he loves to jolly the ladies, he pets the kiddies, he can go up stairs blindfolded and find the room where his friends are waiting to welcome him, he can dance the fandango with either foot tied up in a sling and to him the Shrine is the playground where he has the time of his life and goes home to tell "mother" all about it. He cracks a joke and laughs as loud as the rest of the crowd. The girls in the dining rooms all want to serve his meals. The bell hops hop for him. He is either fat or tall as Allah made him, and his heart is doing 100 per cent duty.

He's a regular fellow!



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Have you ever helped a beggar
Or led a blind man 'cross the street?
Ever ask a wayward friend to church
Or invited one home to eat?
Have you visited the sick and afflicted
Where kind words ease the pain?
Have you given much to charity
When it didn't mean your gain?

Have you ever helped a youngster
Plan his future, to be honest and up-
right?
Have you ever helped a man find work
When he'd most given up the fight?
Have you helped your fellow man each
day
Giving of your riches and your worth?
If you haven't, my dear brother
You're missing the greatest joy on
earth.

—Noble J. D. Thomas, Moslah News.